

## St. Odilia Funeral Luncheon Ministry

We at St. Odilia want to do everything possible to support your family. It is for this reason that our Funeral Luncheon Committee will serve a lunch after the funeral liturgy, burial or evening service. The following information will help you plan for the luncheon.

1. Please give the funeral coordinator the **name and phone number** of a relative, neighbor, or friend who will be the contact person for the luncheon. Our funeral luncheon coordinator will call the contact person to make all arrangements.
2. Food is purchased and brought in by friends, neighbors, and relatives of the deceased. The luncheon coordinator has information regarding catering services and companies if the family prefers to arrange for the food purchase in this manner. The parish will provide regular and de-caf coffee, sugar and creamer, ice water, and all paper products for the luncheon.
3. If the deceased or members of the family belong to any group such as Men's Club, CCW, or civic organizations, please let the coordinator know, as these groups often wish to contribute in some way.
4. **If not using the services of a caterer, the food is to be brought to the Courtyard before the Mass or Service.** The luncheon volunteers take care of assembling the food for the buffet table, setting the tables, serving the food, cleaning up, and packing up the leftover food, which is given to the family.

Please be aware that we are not equipped to prepare and cook food on site. However, food that needs to be refrigerated or re-heated will be taken care of accordingly.

5. The services of facilitating and serving the funeral luncheon are free of charge. People often wish to make a donation to help cover expenses (paper products, coffee, etc.). There is no obligation, but if the family wishes to do so, a suggested amount is \$1 per person served. Checks can be made out to: **St. Odilia Funeral Luncheon.**